National Capital Territory of Delhi to improve the existing bus service :—

1. Unified Time table for DTC and operation of DTC and private buses in the ratio of 40 : 60;

2. Imparting compulsory training refresher courses/proficiency test for all the drivers of public service buses;

3. All the bus operators have been directed to instal speed governors at a maximum speed of 40 KM per hour and the erring operators are prosecuted for violation of this permit condition;

4. State Transport Authority takes action against the permit holders for violation of permit conditions under section 86 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988. So far, 180 permits have been suspended/cancelled on account of involvement of such buses in fatal/non-fatal accidents;

5. Procurement of radars to check over speeding by the buses, prosecution of buses crossing maximum speed limit.

6. The Govt. of Delhi has initiated steps to implement Integrated Multi Model Trams Rapid Transport System for Delhi.

Claims before Motor Accident Claims Tribunal

2473. PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Motor Accident Claims Tribunals in Delhi have not been working for quite sometime;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps taken to make them function without further delay, if not the reasons therefor;

(c) the number of cases pending in each of these Tribunals and since when and the steps taken to liquidate these cases without delay; and

(d) to which year does the oldest case relate to?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) No Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The number of cases pending in each Tribunals as on 31st October, 94 are as under :

Sl. No.	Name of Court	Total pending cases
1.	MACT (North Zone) .	3451
2.	MACT (Central Zone)	1883
3.	MACT (West Zone) . .	3762
4.	MACT (New Delhi Zone) .	1741
5.	MACT (South Zone) . .	4582
6.	MACT (East Zone) . .	2257

In order to reduce the pendency of these cases without delay, the Judges of MACT are persuaded during the meetings periodically convened by Commissioner-cum-Secretary (Transport), Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi, to dispose of cases expeditiously.

(d) the oldest case relate to the year 1978.

Declaration of National Highways in Maharashtra

2474. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received any request from the Maharashtra Government to declare the (i) Ratnagiri-Solapur-Nagpur (831 Kms.) and (ii) Coastal Highway (667 Kms.), State Highways, as National Highways;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Central Government had assured to fulfil the demand during the Eighth Five Year Plan; and

(d) if so, what decision has since been taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGADISH TYTLER) : (a) to (d) The Government of Maharashtra have forwarded proposals for certain roads being declared as new National Highways in the 8th Five Year Plan which incidentally cover the roads in question. However, on account of meagre allocation earmarked under the Central Sector Roads Programme in the current Plan, it is difficult to declare new National Highways at present.

ADB's Assistance for Four-laning of National Highway No. 8

2475. SHRIMATI CHANDRIKA ABHINANDAN JAIN :

SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE :

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Gujarat Government had sent any proposal for Asian Development Bank assistance for the costruction

of four-way highway between Baroda-Surat-Bombay on National Highway No. 8;

(b) if so, the estimated cost of the above project;

(c) whether Government have made any efforts to get financial assistance from Asian Development Bank for that project;

(d) whether Government have not declared for the last 20 years any State Highway as National Highway in Gujarat; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action/measures taken to get the ADB assistance early for the aforesaid proposal ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) No. Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) The following three roads have been declared as National Highways (NH)/ National Expressways (NE) in Gujarat in 1978, 1986 and 1989 respectively.

1. Chiloda Gandhinagar Sarkhej, NH 8C, (46 kms.).

2. Ahmedabad Vadodara Expressway. NE I(93 kms.).

3. Beawar Pali Radhanpur, NH 14 (140 kms.).

(e) Does not arise

Allocation of fund to U.P. for maintenance of Highways

2476. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the amount allocated to Uttar Pradesh for construction and maintenance of Highways from Central Road Fund during the last three years, year-wise ; and

(b) the progress made in regard to the completion of these works

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGADISH TYTLER) : (a) Funds allocated and released to Uttar Pradesh for construction and maintenance of Highways from Central Road Fund during the last three years is as follows :—

Year	Amount (Rs. in lakhs)
1991-92	Nil
1992-93	79.50
1993-94	100.00

(b) There are in all 8 projects being funded from Central Road Fund in Uttar Pradesh which are at various stages of progress.

कांडला पत्तन का निजीकरण

2477. श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव : क्या जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार कान्डला मुक्त पत्तन पर उपलब्ध सभी सुविधाओं का निजीकरण करने का विचार रखती है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(ग) उक्त प्रस्ताव के कार्यान्वयन से प्रत्येक वर्ष कितना लाभ होगा और उसका उन प्रक्रियाओं पर क्या प्रभाव होगा जिनके तहत पत्तन पर सुविधायें उपलब्ध करायी जाती है; और

(घ) इस संबंध में ब्यौरा क्या है ?

जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री जगदीश टाइटलर) : (क) से (घ) प्रश्न यह उठता, क्योंकि कांडला में कोई मुक्त पत्तन नहीं है ।

Maintenance of National Highways in Assam

2478. SHRI NYODEK YONGGAM : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have been allocating funds every year to Government of Assam for maintenance of National Highways in its jurisdiction; and

(b) if so, why the Government of Assam is not taking steps to renovate NH-52 which is in deplorable condition from Lakhimpur to Jonai sub-division (Assam) which connects East Siang district of Arunachal Pradesh ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) National Highway No. 52 from Lakhimpur to Jonai is being maintained in a traffic worthy condition within the available funds. Development and Maintenance of National Highways is a continuous process. Necessary repair works are being carried out to improve the condition of this section of the National Highway. Semi-permanent bridges on this stretch are also being replaced in a phased manner depending upon the availability of funds.